SUBJECT No. 274.

Translation of books on Arts and Sciences of Europe.

Mr. V. Raghavachar, Mysore taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Pray that some start be made as in Japan for encouraging translation into simple Kannada of treatises on the Arts and Sciences of Europe, America and other countries for the use of the public. No attempt has hitherto been made in this direction.

Reply of Government.—The member may give a list of the books which he would wish to be translated.

SUBJECT No. 275.

Selection of standard text-books.

(1) (2) & (3) Messrs. B. Kesaviah and C. Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(1) Every year text-books are changed for the same class in English schools. This leads to a lot of unnecessary expenditure. It is requested that suitable standard books may be selected and these be not changed often in classes lower than the Lower Secondary class.

(2) The same set of books for each class may be ordered to be used in all the schools in the State.

(3) Except the text-books in Language prescribed by the Board of Examiners or by the University, the books on other subjects may remain unchanged for at least five years.

(4) H. Gundappa, Kunigal taluk

(4) Uniform text-books of English Reader and Grammar may be used in all Anglo-Vernacular schools.

Reply of Government.—The suggestions will be commended to the Inspector-General of Education, who will be asked to report in full detail the existing rules and practice.

SUBJECT No. 276.

The School Final Examination.

(*a*) Messrs. Girimaji Rao, Butchiah Chetty and Pedda Venkatappa Chetty, Kolar Municipal Board, and Gundappa, Kunigal taluk.

(*b*) Mr. K. Shankaranarayana Rao, Nagar Sabha.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) The School Final Examination, in lieu of the Matriculation Examination, which has been causing great hardship to many students, may be introduced early.

(*b*) It is desirable to hold a School Final Examination in the State along with the present Matriculation Examination. As the results of the latter examination have been very disappointing and the number of disappointed youths is fast increasing, this evil should be remedied soon.

Mr. M. Venkatkrishniah.—The scheme of a School Final Examination is not a satisfactory one. It involves too much strain on the students and great increase of writing and other work to the Headmasters. There are no doubt some good points, but the balance of advantages is in favour of the Matriculation and against the School Final Scheme.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 277.

Age limit for the Mysore Lower Secondary Examination.

Mr. M. Venkatakrishniah, Mysore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Students appearing in private for the Mysore Lower Secondary Examination are required to be 16 years of age. As this is a hardship, it is prayed that the age limit may be removed.

Reply of Government.—The age limit now prescribed will be abolished.

SUBJECT No. 278.

Separation of Kannada and Sanskrit portions of the Pandit Examination.

Mr. M. G. Shamiengar, Sree Yadugiri Sadananda Vardhini Sabha, Melkote.

Summary of discussion.—It was requested in Subject No. 288 of 1910 that it may be directed that the Kannada and Sanskrit parts of the Pandit Examination should be allowed to be passed separately, and it was stated in reply that opinions in the matter would be invited. It is requested that Pandit classes in Sanskrit be opened in the existing patasalas and students permitted to appear for the examination. The Kannada branch can be easily passed from the Normal School along with some industrial branch.

Reply of Government.—Cannot be done.

SUBJECT No. 279.

Vidvans in any one branch who have passed the Mysore Lower Secondary Examination to be permitted to appear for the Kannada Pandit Examination.

Mr. M. G. Shamiengar, Sree Yadugiri Sadananda Vardhini Sabha, Melkote.

Summary of discussion.—Matriculates and those who have passed the Upper Secondary Examination are now eligible for the Kannada Pandit Examination. It is requested that those who have passed in any branch of the *Vidvan* examination may be admitted into the Pandit examination, although they might have passed only Lower Secondary examination.

Reply of Government.—Will be done.

SUBJECT No. 280.

(*a*) Change of school hours.

(*a*) Mr. V. Raghavachar, Mysore taluk.

(*b*) Change of school hours for primary classes.

(*b*) Messrs. Amble Anniah Pandit and C. Narasimhaiya, District Board, Mysore.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) Classes are held now from 11 A.M. to 5 P.M. to the great inconvenience of the students. Pray this may be changed.

(*b*) If primary classes are held from seven and half-past eight in the mornings to enable the different classes of people to pursue their respective callings, it will give them leisure to pursue their avocations.

Reply of Government.—No change is desirable.

SUBJECT No. 281.

Amendment of the Local Service Examination Rule.

Mr. N. V. Narasimha Iyengar, Law Association, Bangalore.

Summary of discussion.—Amendment of the rule requiring a candidate for the Local Service Examination to pass twice in the Evidence Act, once in Criminal and again in Civil, Part I, is prayed for.

Reply of Government.—Option will be given to candidates to attend, or not to attend, the examination in the subject the second time also. In case a candidate chooses not to attend, he will be considered to have obtained the exact passing minimum and given such marks in the said subject at the second examination at which he appears.

SUBJECT No. 282.

The Local Service Examination Centres.

Mr. B. Kesaviah, Chikmagalur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The Local Service Examinations may, as before, be held at the headquarters of each district every half year. The present arrangement of holding them at three centres, *viz.*, Bangalore, Shimoga and Hassan, has entailed heavy expenditure to Government in the shape of batta to official candidates for whom certain examinations are made obligatory. Besides, other candidates are put to unnecessary cost and trouble in going from place to place.